

Saint Matthias

Knights of Columbus

Council 9925

10th Anniversary Dinner

October 10, 1998
Double Tree Hotel
Somerset, New Jersey

Knights of Columbus

ST. MATTHIAS OF SOMERSET, COUNCIL No. 9925
P.O. Box 5183
Somerset, New Jersey 08875

October 10, 1998

Dear Guests and fellow Brothers;

Welcome to our 10th Anniversary Dinner!! It's hard to believe we are 10 years old already. Our council has much to be proud of in its' accomplishments over the past decade. We have grown substantially over the years.

The Saint Matthias Knights of Columbus has served both the church and the community well. Our members have come together to make a difference where we live and worship. That difference is you. Whether you worked the Technology Trot, or helped out at the Race for the Cure, or helped us honor the towns Police and Fire and First-Aid volunteers you did your part – giving back and helping others.

My main point is tonight's event is not only honoring our Past Grand Knight; it's about honoring each and every brother at this most special anniversary. You have made this council what it is today: active, vibrant and diverse. Committed to helping others.

Enjoy tonight's festivities. Everyone is the guest of honor.

Fraternally,

Jeffrey Weaver
Grand Knight

I want to thank the Officers, Committee Chairmen and Brother Knights for their support and hard work during the 1997-1998 Columbian Year.

Special thanks to Brother Bill Barba, our former District Deputy, for his 4 years of service to our Council and District.

Congratulations and best wishes to the 1998-1999 Officers and to all the Knights and their families as they celebrate our Tenth Anniversary!

Marty and Barbara Engelhardt

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Happy "10" Knights of Columbus 9925
There will be more to come

Jim & Lorraine Sabella

I'm pleased to have served the Grand Knights as follows:

PGK Joseph Pellicane
PGK Ed Prunty
PGK Joseph D'Angiolillo
PGK Marty Engelhardt

Sincerely, **Joseph Troisi**

Tonight's Program

6:30 – 7:30	Cocktail Hour
7:30 – 10:00	Dinner

Blessing
Introduction of Guests
Acknowledgement of Deceased Members

Main Course

Celebrating 10 Years
Honoring the P.G.K. – Marty Engelhardt
Naming of the Knight of the Year

Dessert

Congratulations To
The St. Matthias Knights Of Columbus
On Their Ten Year Anniversary



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Best Wishes and Continued Success

The Salina Family

1998-1999 Officers

Chaplin.....Rev. Doug Haefner

Grand Knight.....Jeffrey Weaver

Deputy Grand Knight.....Charlie Hicks

Chancellor.....Bill Clark

Recorder.....Tom Mager

Financial Secretary.....Ray Camarda

Treasurer.....Sam Fallivenei

Lecturer.....Angelo Olivieri

Advocate.....Brian Watts

Warden.....Jim Isola

Inside Guard.....Joe Troisi

Outside Guard.....Jim Nasto

Trustee (3 Year).....Marty Engelhardt, PGK

Trustee (2 Year).....Joe D'Angiolillo, PGK

Trustee (1 Year).....Ed Prunty, PGK

Congratulations

Henry and Patricia Zakre

Congratulations to Council 9925
And to all nine P.G.K's
For a job well done

Looking Forward to the next "10"

Eileen and Angelo Olivieri

Congratulations Council #9925 on your
10th Anniversary
Here's to many more successful years ahead
Many thanks to our outgoing Grand Knight
Marty Engelhardt
and all of our Past Grand Knights

John and Virginia Coughlan

How We Got Started

Our council was officially formed on November 17, 1988. Earlier that fall in this very same hotel, the Columbiettes were having a national convention. Russ Demkovitz and Dominic Calabreese , then State Deputy, were in attendance.

Dominic told Russ about the efforts being put forth by himself, Father Dolak and then District Deputy John Gibbon to build a Knights of Columbus Council at Saint Matthias.

Later a committee was formed, chaired by Russ, and through the efforts of the charter members listed below, our council was born. Here is our first slate of officers:

Chaplin.....Rev. Joe Szulwach

Grand Knight.....Russ Demkovitz

Deputy Grand Knight.....William Cullen III

Chancellor.....Anthony Salina

Recorder.....James Luxhoj

Financial Secretary.....Dick Vetter

Treasurer.....Fred James

Lecturer.....Angelo Olivieri

Advocate.....George Cook

Warden.....Steve Holzinger

Inside Guard.....Stephen Klisch

Outside Guard.....Martin Crowe

Trustee.....John Komar

Trustee .....James McDaid

Trustee.....Martin Collins

Thank You and Congratulations to Past Grand Knight, Marty Engelhardt.

Congratulations to St. Matthias of Somerset Knights of Columbus Council 9925 for ten years of accomplishments and growth. **Thank You** to all of the previous Grand Knights whose hard work and dedication have made these ten years so successful.

Roberta and Marty Collins

Charter Members

Many thanks to the members below who got things started:

Robert J. Bancone
David Bodden
Albert J. Brickey
Raymond A. Camarda
John G. Clyde
Martin F. Collins
George P. Cook
Martin M. Crowe Jr.
William H. Cullen III
Russell B. Demkovitz
Jack J. Fisco
Christopher P. Giblin
Kevin T. Gray
Stephen J. Holzinger II
Fred R. James
Norman A. Jason
Stephen C. Klisch
Stephen J. Klisch
John V. Komar
Patrick C. Leonard
James T. Luxhoj
John J. Macauley
Thomas Mager
John H. Marold
John M. Martinez
James J. McDaid
Robert J. McInerney
James F. Mulroy
Angelo J. Olivieri
John P. Ostynski
Richard J. Pleconis
John J. Rogan
James J. Rowan
Anthony J. Salina
John C. Sanford
Leo C. Shanosky
J. Mark Shedden
Vincent P. Simpson
John F. Sullivan
Joseph B. Szolwach
Anthony Vaccaro
Richard F. Vetter
Walter T. Wojnas
Edward R. Wyckoff
Douglas R. Wynter
Frank G. Varela

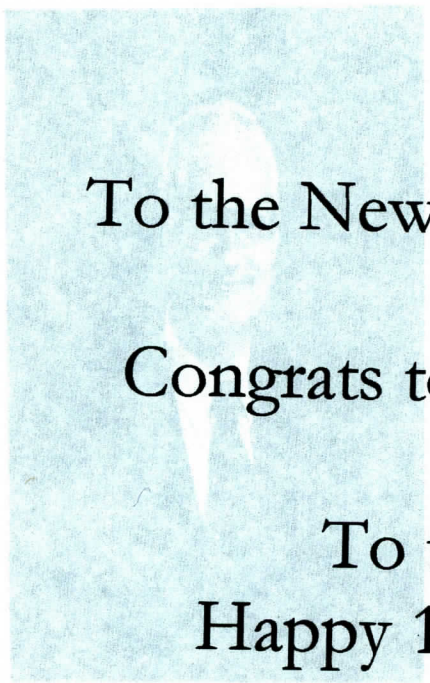
To Honor
PGK Marty Engelhardt
&
All Brother Knights

Jack & Sarah Decker

Deceased Members

They are a part of us forever. They will live on in out thoughts and memories.

James McDaid
John Pancza
John Sullivan
Robert Hunt
Frank Varela
John Gaido
Larry Strosser
John Macauley
John Clyde, Sr.
Bernard Goetz
Joseph L. Belica

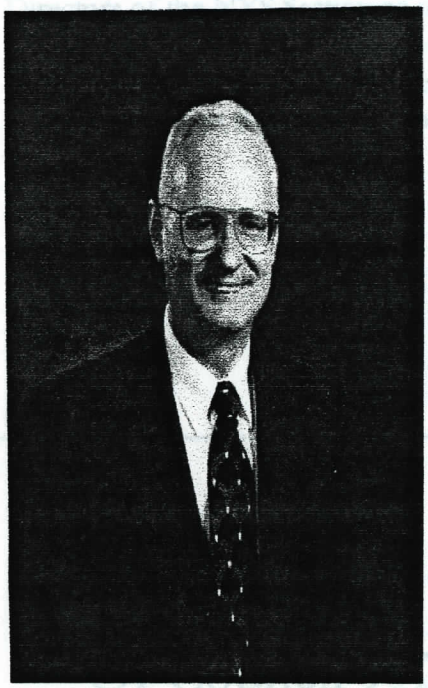


To the New Past Grand Knight:
"Marty"
Congrats to a Job Well Done!

To the Council:
Happy 10th Anniversary!

The Ostynski Family
Pat, John & Kerry

Past Grand Knight – 1998



Marty Engelhardt

Our Past Grand Knight was born in Brooklyn, New York, January 8, 1938.

He has been married for 37 years to the former Barbara Hoerauf and have 3 children (Nancy, Janet and Marty) and four grandchildren (Joseph, Nicholas, Samantha and Joshua.)

Marty graduated from the City College of New York – School of Technology with a Bachelor of Civil Engineering Degree in 1960. In 1965 he became a licensed New York State Professional Engineer.

Marty has been an active member of St. Matthias Parish since 1965. He served many years on projects benefiting the Church and School as a member of the Holy Name Society and Bingo Team. He is also a Eucharistic Minister and a lector.

He served the youth in Somerset as Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 144 from 1973 to 1980, and then as Committee Member and Chairman until 1985. In September 1993, Marty joined St. Matthias of Somerset Council 9925, and in January 1996 became a member of Monsignor John O'Grady Fourth Degree Assembly. While serving in the St. Matthias Council as a member of the First Degree Team and Chairman of the annual Family Whitewater Rafting Event; he was elected as Inside Guard, Recorder, Deputy Grand Knight and Grand Knight in 1997.

Marty was employed as an engineer and manager for 34 years by the City of New York, Department of Environmental Protection. When he retired in 1993, he was the Deputy Director of the Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Collection supervising the planning, design and construction of Water Supply and Sewer Projects both in the City and its Upstate Watershed.

He is a life member of the American Water Works Association and served several years on the New York State Section Program Committee. From 1987-1993, he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Municipal Engineers of New York City, and the Board of Directors of the NYS Section of the American Water Resources Association.

In February 1995, Marty was appointed by the Township Council to a 5 year term as a Commissioner on the Franklin Township Sewerage Authority.

Congratulations to all the Past Grand Knights Of Council 9925 and many thanks for a job well done.

We wish continuing success to all those who will follow in their footsteps

Sal and Doris Guastella



Happy 10th Anniversary
to St. Matthias Knights of Columbus
Council 9925 and all Brother Knights!

Congratulations
to Past Grand Knight Marty Englehart!

Best wishes
to all Past Grand Knights and their families!

We've had many good fraternal years!

The Luxhoj Family

The Rest of Our Past Grand Knights



Joseph D'Angiolillo

1996-1997 Grand Knight

Birthdate: October 19, 1958 New Brunswick, NJ
Occupation: Chiropractor
Family: Married 15 years to Indra. Joseph and his wife have a daughter, Brielle (5).

Education: St. Peter's College-1980 B.S. in Biology; Palmer College of Chiropractic-1984 Doctorate of Chiropractic

Joe's professional activities include: sub-committee chairman for industrial relations of NJ Chiropractic society (1987-1988). Central Jersey Chiropractic Society - Secretary (1992-1993), First Vice President (1993-1994), and President (1994-1995).

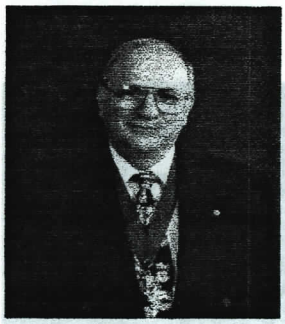


Ed Prunty

1995-1996 Grand Knight

Birthdate: October 22, 1929 Jamaica, New York
Occupation: Retired
Family: Married 47 years to Catherine. Ed and Catherine have four children: Patricia, Mark, Eileen and Maura. They are proud Grandparents to Conner (6), Eamon(3), Tara (3), Jacqueline (3), Alex (1) and Kieren (1).

Education: Adelphi University



Joseph Pellicane

1994-1995 Grand Knight

Birthdate: December 11, 1942, New Brunswick, NJ
Occupation: Supervisor at Bristol Myers-Squibb
Family: Joe and his wife Jean have been married 34 years and have a son, Gary (25).

Joe is active in our council. He is able to reserve the Brtistol Myers – Squibb park each year for our council's annual family picnic for which we are very thankful!!

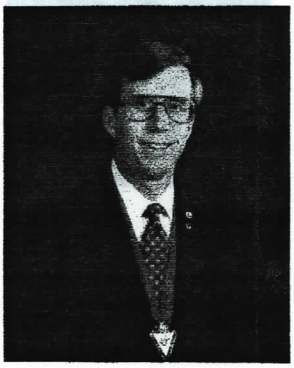


William (Bill) Barba

1993-1994 Grand Knight

Birthdate: July 8, 1942, Bayonne, New Jersey
Occupation: Mechanic
Family: Bill and Helen have been married 31 years and have four children (Bill Jr., Ken, Pam and Patty) and three grandchildren: Jessica (7), Anthony (3), Christopher (4 months).
Education: Attended Saint Peter's College.

Bill also served as the District Deputy where he received the Circle of Honor and Circle of Champions awards during his tenure.



James Luxhoj

1992-1993 Grand Knight

Birthdate: January 13, 1956 – Staten Island, New York
Occupation: Industrial Engineer Professor at Rutgers
Family: Married 11 years to Catherine. They have 2 children: Erin (17) and Carl (9).

Education: Virginia Tech – 1984 BS – Industrial Engineering / Operations Research;
Virginia Tech – 1985 Masters – Industrial Engineering / Operations Research;
Virginia Tech – 1986 – Ph.D. – Industrial Engineering / Operations Research

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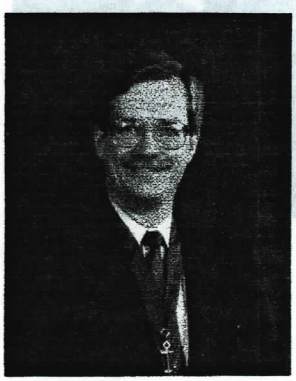

John Ostynski

1991-1992 Grand Knight

Birthdate: April 23, 1955 – Newark, New Jersey
Occupation: EDP Auditor.
Family: Married to Patricia (nee McGovern) for 12 years. John and Patricia have a daughter – Kerry (8).

Education: Saint Peter's College – 1977. BS in Accounting



William (Bill) Cullen

1990-91 Grand Knight

Birthdate: September 7, 1953 – Newark, New Jersey
Occupation: Research Technician at Exxon.
Family: Married Patricia in 1981 and have 2 children: William (13) and Jessica (10).

Education: Saint Leo College – 1975 – BS in Biology

Bill was also a charter member of the organization and served as Deputy Grand Knight (1988). He is also Captain in the Somerset Volunteer Fire Department.



Russell Demkovitz

Charter Grand Knight

Birthdate: May 21, 1949 – Elizabeth, New Jersey
Occupation: Sales
Family: Married 22 Years to Monic and they have one daughter – Abigail (19).

Education: Roosevelt University – 1971 – BA Political Science.
Roosevelt University – 1974 – Masters in Public Administration.

Under Russ' leadership the council started many of the events that are still carried out today such as the free throw contest, blood drives and the retarded citizens drive.

Council #9925

Congratulations on TEN YEARS
of the LORD'S work.
Sorry we missed the dinner.
We're at Disney World!!

Bill, Ginnie Victoria & Jacqueline Clark

Congratulations to an award winning
Council 9925 on its Tenth Anniversary.
The Members
and Grand Knights
are the Best.

Frank Grassi

I have been a member of the Knights for eight years. During these years I have with the help of the Knights become a stronger parish member and community person. Secondly and just as important, I have met a bunch of great men and am proud to be one of them.

P.S. This is not a marine corp recruiting quote.

Julius Molnar

Happy 10th Anniversary
To the St. Matthias
Knights of Columbus
Council 9925

Sorry we cannot be there
To celebrate with you.
Hope you all enjoy the
10th Anniversary Program.

Jeff and Kathy Weaver